514. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) if Mr. Ponnappa Nadar of Olavakode had submitted tenders for definite number of candies of teak, etc., cut and stocked in particular places from Nerangampara coupe and was his tender the highest and what was his rate;

(2) did the Conservator of Forests issue orders to him to state if he was prepared to take all such contracts in future; what is the letter written to Mr. Nadar by the Conservator of Forests about this matter;

(3) to whom was the said contract subsequently given?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—(1) Mr. Ponnappa Nadar did not put in any tender but his agent Sankaran Moothan submitted a tender. His tender was the highest and his tendered rate was Rs. 15—8—0 per candy for teak and 4 as. per candy over the notified seigniorage rates for jungle-wood.

(2) Yes; but not to take all such contracts. Copy of the letter is placed on the Council Table.

(3) The contract was since given to Messrs. R. Viswanathan Chetty and V. K. Nayar.

515. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) if tenders were invited for the removal of fuel in Nerangampara coupe in 1104 and to whom was it at first given and why was it cancelled;

(2) were tenders invited subsequently; if so, to whom was it given; and

(3) what are the rates of tenders of each on both the occasions?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—(1) Vide answers to sub-divisions (a) and (b) of question No. 511. Intending tenderers had not sufficient time to tender.

(2) Vide answers to sub-divisions (d) and (f) of question No. 511.

(3) The rates of tenders of each on the first occasion:—

Name of tenderer.	Rate for one cart-load of fuel. Rs. a. p.	Rate per candy for timber portions. Rs. a. p.	
1. V. K. Krishnan Nayar for Nerangampara coupe	0 12 0	1 0	0 more than the notified seigniorage rate.
2. Do for Pothundi coupe	0 12 0	1 1 0	do

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